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SUBJECT: VIOLENCE AVERTED AT STRIKE AT US PROJECT

1. AFTERNOON OF MARCH 8 AMERICAN DIRECTOR GENERAL OF WILLBROS OVERSEAS LIMITED, ALGERIAN SUBSIDIARY OF BRITISH SUBSIDIARY OF AMERICAN FIRM WILLIAMS INTERNATIONAL, CAME TO EMBASSY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING POLICE PROTECTION FOR 120 FOREIGNERS, INCLUDING 20 AMERICANS, AT COMPRESSOR STATION PROJECT AT AIN DJESSIA NEAR BATNA. HE SAID THAT THREE-DAY STRIKE HAD ERUPTED INTO VIOLENCE EARLIER THAT DAY, WITH THREE FOREIGNERS, INCLUDING TWO AMERICANS, THREATENED AT KNIFE POINT. HE ADDED THAT THERE APPEARED TO BE GROUP OF ALGERIAN WORKERS GATHERING AT CAMP SITE IN UGLY MOOD AND THAT POLICE AND GENDARMERIE HAD REFUSED COMPANY REQUESTS TO PROVIDE PROTECTION.

2. IN COORDINATION WITH BRITISH EMBASSY, WHICH HAD FORTY CITIZENS INVOLVED, EMBASSY ALERTED SONATRACH VICE PRESIDENT TO SITUATION AND REQUESTED MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INTERVENTION ORALLY AND BY FORMAL DIPLOMATIC NOTE (AT MINISTRY REQUEST). IN EVENING 8 MARCH MINISTRY OFFICIAL CALLED TO INFORM US THAT MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE AND INTERIOR HAD BEEN ALERTED AND TO ASSURE US THAT STEPS WERE BEING TAKEN TO ASSURE PROTECTION OF
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ALL FOREIGNERS.

3. DIRECTOR GENERAL 10 MARCH TELEPHONED EMBASSY TO SAY THAT PROTECTION HAD INDEED BEEN PROVIDED, THAT STRIKE HAD BEEN SETTLED, THAT POSSIBILITY OF VIOLENCE APPEARED TO HAVE DISAPPEARED, AND TO THANK EMBASSY FOR ITS ASSISTANCE. LYNE

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